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Education

- 2018- **PhD Studies in Statistics**, *University of California, Berkeley*, USA. Advisors: Prof. Shirshendu Ganguly and Prof. Steven Evans
- 2017-2018 PhD Studies in Mathematics, Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey.
 - 2017 **M.Sc. in Mathematics**, *Boğaziçi University*, Istanbul, Turkey. Advisor: Prof. Ümit Işlak
 - Thesis Title: On asymptotics of two non-uniform recursive tree models
- 2008-2015 Philosophy Studies, University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria.
 - 2013 B.Sc. in Mathematics (with distinction), University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria.
- 2011/12 **Erasmus stay**, *Boğaziçi University*, Istanbul, Turkey.
 - 2008 Austrian Matura and French Baccalauréat (with distinction), Lycée Français de Vienne, Vienna, Austria.

Research Interests

Random graphs, random matrices, large deviations, spectral properties, mathematical biology, subsequence problems, random permutations

Publications/Preprints

- 2023 (with T. McKenzie) The Spectral Edge of Constant Degree Erdős-Rényi Graphs, https://arxiv.org/abs/2309.11007
- 2023 (with W. S. DeWitt, S. N. Evans and S. Hummel) *Mean-field interacting multi-type birth-death processes with a view to applications in phylodynamics*, https://arxiv.org/abs/2307.06010
- 2022 (with S. Ganguly and K. Nam) Spectral large deviations of sparse random matrices, https://arxiv.org/abs/2206.06954
- 2022 (with S. Ganguly and K. Nam) Upper tail behavior of the number of triangles in random graphs with constant average degree, https://arxiv.org/abs/2202.06916, to appear in Combinatorica
- 2020 (with Ü. Işlak) Asymptotic results on Hoppe trees and its variations, Journal of Applied Probability, Vol. 57 (2), pp. 441 457, https://doi.org/10.1017/jpr.2020.12
- 2018 (with Ü. Işlak) Some remarks on biased recursive trees, https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.04617

Conference Publications

2015/2022 Found in Translation, Multilingualism and Philosophy, in Critical Conversations in African Philosophy, Asixoxe - Let's talk, edited by Alena Rettová, Benedetta Lanfranchi and Miriam Pahl, Routledge, New York

Fellowships, scholarships and awards

- 2022/2023 Citadel Securities Berkeley Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley
 - 2021 Teaching Effectiveness Award, University of California, Berkeley
 - 2020 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, University of California, Berkeley

2010, 2013 Performance Scholarship, University of Vienna

Talks and Posters

- 09/2023 Mean-field interacting multi-type birth-death processes with a view to applications in phylodynamics, Probability Seminar, University of California, Berkeley
- 07/2023 Edge eigenvalues and eigenvector localization in Erdős-Rényi graphs with constant average degree, Conference on Stochastic Processes and Applications, University of Lisbon
- 09/2022 Large deviations of the largest eigenvalue of sparse random graphs with non-Gaussian edge weights, Graduate Student Probability Conference, University of Wisconsin, Madison
- 04/2022 Tails of some non-linear observables in random graphs with constant average degree, Probability Seminar, University of California, Berkeley
- 04/2022 Tails of some non-linear observables in random graphs with constant average degree, Probability Seminar, Purdue University, Indiana
- 03/2022 The tail of the triangle count in Erdős-Rényi graphs with constant average degree, Seminar on Stochastic Processes, Lehigh University, Pennsylvania
- 11/2021 Large deviations of the largest eigenvalue of sparse graphs with non-Gaussian edge weights, Northeast Probability Seminar, CUNY, New York
- 05/2018 Stein's method and distributional approximations for hitting times, Probability Days, IMBM, Istanbul
- 04/2018 Spectral methods for mixing times of Markov chains, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul
- 12/2017 First moment problem for expected length of longest common subsequences in random permutations, IMBM, Istanbul
- 05/2015 Found in Translation, Multilingualism and Philosophy, Asixoxe Let's Talk!, SOAS, University of London

Summer Schools and Workshops

- 06/2023 Probability meets Biology II, University of Bath, United Kingdom
- 08/2020 Graduate Remote Instruction Innovation Fellows Program, GSI Teaching & Resource Center, University of California, Berkeley, USA
- 07/2019 Data Science Workshop, GDSO, University of California, Berkeley, USA
- 01/2018 Random matrices and number theory, Nesin Mathematics Village, Izmir, Turkey
- $01/2018 \quad \mbox{Winter school on number theory and probability theory, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Turkey}$
- 08/2017 Mathematics summer school, Nesin Mathematics Village, Izmir, Turkey

Teaching Experience

2019-2023 University of California, Berkeley, Statistics Department, Graduate student instructor.

- Stat 20 Introduction to Probability and Statistics
- Stat 134 Concepts of Probability
- Stat 150 Stochastic Processes
- Stat 155 Game Theory

- Stat 204 Probability for Applications (Graduate Level)
- Stat 205B Probability Theory (Graduate level)
- Stat 206 Advanced Topics in Probablity and Stochastic Processes (Graduate level)

2017-2018 Koç University, Mathematics Department, Teaching assistant.

Math 107 Introduction to Linear Algebra

Math 531 Real Analysis

- 07/2017 **Feza Gürsey Summer School**, Teaching assistant. Analysis
- 2013/14 **University of Vienna**, *Philosophy Department*, Teaching assistant. Introduction to Theoretical Philosophy

Other working experience

Summer 2022 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, School of Molecular and Cellular Biology, Internship Program of the Institute for Mathematical and Statistical Innovation. Project: Discovery of novel CNF1-like proteins Supervisors: Dr. Wilson and Dr. Ho

Service

- 2021-2023 **Student Probability Seminar**, *University of California, Berkeley*. Co-organizer with Adam Q. Jaffe
- 2018-2023 Statistics Graduate Student Association, University of California, Berkeley.
 Co-president with Daniel Soriano 2020/21
 Social Committee, Graduate Assembly Representative, Student Seminar, Website Committee

Languages

German, Native. English, Fluent. French, Advanced. Turkish, Advanced. Spanish, Beginner.